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## Spaces available for children in free prekindergarten program

Spaces are available for 144 children to participate in eight free, high-quality prekindergarten classes in the cities of Central Falls, Providence, Warwick, West Warwick, and Woonsocket. To be eligible, children must be 4 years old by September 1 and they must be residents of one of the identified communities. Students will be selected for participation by lottery. Applications for this program are available on the R.I. Department of Education (RIDE) website (<a href="http://www.ride.ri.gov/OSCAS/earlychild/">http://www.ride.ri.gov/OSCAS/earlychild/</a>) and at the program sites:

- Central Falls School District (521 Dexter St., Central Falls)
- Ready to Learn Providence (945 Westminster St., Providence)
- Beautiful Beginnings Child Care (700 Elmwood Ave., Providence)
- Mariposa Highlander Pre-K (550 Branch Ave., Providence)
- Imagine Preschool (400 East Ave., Warwick)
- Westbay Children's Center (22 Astral St., Warwick)
- CHILD, Inc. (28 Payan St., West Warwick)
- Woonsocket Head Start Child Development Association (204 Warwick St., Woonsocket)

Completed applications should be submitted to the program of choice.

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